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MATERIALS DIVISION MONTHLY REPORT

1 December 1958

TO : Chief, Materials Division

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I. Accomplishments

A. Revised the IM "The Significance of Soviet Sales of Tin to the Free World". The revision was approved for publication by the Acting Chief, ERA, on 25 November 1958.

B. Completed and forwarded to the Division Coordinator the aluminum portion of M/NF's contribution to ORR Project 20.1776. The copper portion has also been completed and final typing is in process. The Coordinator should receive the completed copper manuscript before the end of this week.

C. Prepared production estimates for aluminum and copper output in the USSR in 1965 and a textual commentary on nonferrous developments in copper, aluminum, and diamonds as interpreted from the recent Seven Year Plan announcements.

D. Prepared a contribution to Section 18, of the NIS on North Korea.

E. Contributed basic data on copper production in Communist China to CSS for the Director's speech of 1 December.

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F. [redacted] Department of Army personnel on the Construction Materials Section of the NIS on Communist China.

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II. Program -- The research program of the USSR Section of the Branch has been reviewed in the light of information developed for use in M/NF's contribution to Project 20.1776. We believe that sufficient information is now available to justify the preparation of a Research Report on the Aluminum Industry in the USSR. A Project Initiation Memorandum is being contemplated for submission in the near future.

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B. [] lectured on the production of economic intelligence in ORR to an IOC class.

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C. [] discussed with representatives from the O/DD/I [] proposed personal services contract between ORR and []

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IV. Comments--None

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